NOTICES OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT: I have received a few notices for adjournment of the business of the House to consider certain matters of urgent public importance.

The first one is from Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan. It reads thus:—

"The great hardship caused to thousands of teachers in the private Primary Schools of the State owing to the reduction of their grant-in-aid from S. Rs. 8 chs. 14-0 to S. Rs 8-chs. 0-0."

It is obviously a matter concerning the whole community of aided school teachers; and as action has already been taken by Government in the matter for reduction recently, I consider this motion quite in order, unless there is any objection by any member of the House.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I object to the motion.

PRESIDENT: As many Honourable Members as are in favour of the motion may raise their hands.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur cum Pattanapuram*): I have not heard the motion.

PRESIDENT: The first time I am told that my voice has not been heard.

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Those Honourable Members who are in favour of the motion, please rise in their places.

More than the required majority being in favour, the adjournment motion is admitted and will be taken up for consideration, to suit the agenda that has already been framed, on Thursday afternoon.

There is another motion from Mr. P. K. Narayana Pillai. It reads thus:—

"I move that the business of the Assembly be adjourned to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance *viz.*, that steps taken in hurry to register additional plots of land and to license the same for salt manufacture at Palkulam near the Cape, being a serious menace to the existing salt industry, should be stayed, till the policy of adding to the existing *alloms* is examined by a competent committee and the Government are satisfied that no harm would result from further extensions of the salt-producing area."

I would like the Government member to say what the matter is.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): Sir, there is a *poramboke* area near Vattakotta. Several applications have been received for the assignment of that land from licensees for the manufacture of salt. The applications are under consideration of Government. The question has been referred to the P. W. D., the Land Revenue department as well as to my department.

PRESIDENT: So, the matter is under investigation?

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